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DEAR IRIS FRIENDS:

Each year our enthusiasm for Louisiana Iris increases and with it come more interesting and pleasing iris of this relatively little grown iris. This listing is prepared in the hope it may help make it possible for you to become acquainted with these deserving gifts of nature.

Many people have the idea that these iris must be planted in a pond or bog. This is a mistake, these plants will grow and do well in any flower bed that will grow other perennials well. It is true that Louisiana Iris love organic material and moisture, but these can be provided relatively easy. If you will prepare your flower bed or planting area either early in the spring or early fall using about 4 bushels of peat moss and like quantity of half rotted to well rotted manure (preferably poultry manure) per 100 sq. ft., spaded in thoroughly together with 3-5 pounds of a good balanced commercial fertilizer such as 8-8-8 or 12-12-12 or any recommended by the horticultural authorities of your area, you will produce some good iris. It would be a good thing to prepare this planting area far enough ahead of time to allow it to settle for two weeks before planting.

Now place your iris rhizomes in your flower bed so that the terminal shoots face the direction in which you want them to grow. The rhizomes should be set deep enough to be covered with not more than about 1½ inches of soil after the bed has settled. Space the rhizomes 10-18 inches apart where planted with the idea of leaving in place for more than a year. Immediately after setting out your iris rhizomes, cover with a 4-6 inch mulch of some sort. This mulch serves to conserve moisture and helps to control grass and weeds in flower beds.

Here are a few important things to keep in mind if you are going to succeed with Louisiana Iris.

1. Unless your iris multiply you are not going to get bloom. This is because only the newly formed rhizomes flower. The old rhizomes is good only for multiplication. Your iris may continue to live, but unless you produce vigorous new rhizomes no blooms will appear.
2. If planted too deep they will not bloom. Don't plant over 2" deep at most, use heavy mulch instead of deep planting.
3. Do not allow rhizomes to be exposed to direct rays of sun in the hot weather (mulch).
4. These plants do best where they have at least ½ day of sunshne, preferably in the morning.
5. For best growth and development make sure these plants have food and moisture in the fall and spring when the make most of their growth.

Best wishes The Army's

INTRODUCTIONS

It is our pleasure to call your attention to the new introductions we are happy to be able to offer for Mr. Sidney Conger and Mr. G. W. Holleyman.

SEEDLINGS OF MR. SIDNEY CONGER

MARIE CAILLET (Acadian x W. B. MacMillan)

Reg. Pend 36" to 40" in height medium blue-violet sepal with large rounded signal patch that overlap in the center of the flower to make a campanulate formed flower. Wide petals stand erect as in a bearded iris, are lighter blue violet. Vivid red-violet style arms with spread imbricated claws add depth and contrast to the flower. Sturdy erect stalk contains not less than seven and as high as twelve flower buds. Multiple branching of stalk is frequent.

Price per rhizome\$15.00

ROSE ROYAL (Bayou Glory x Roses and Wine x Peggy Mac)

Reg. Pend 30" to 36" in height. Large campanulate shaped flowers of orchid pink infused with gold heavily overlaid rose-pink. Large yellow-gold signal surrounded with lighter pink tones that are almost white. Stalk contains not less than seven buds and as many as ten.

Price per rhizome\$10.00

PETIT POINT (Caroginia x Bayou Glory) Reg. Pend.

32" to 36" in height. The extreme and smooth contrast of the wine-violet sepals that exhibit a diamond shaped signal patch of clear gold and the light orchid of the petals coupled with the red-violet style arms makes this flower a distinctive variety. The form is the overlapping campanulate type typical of this line of breeding.

Price per rhizome\$5.00

MULBERRY MOUSSE (Roses & Wine x Bayou Glory)

Registered 1957.

28" to 24" in height. On a smooth background of orchid is heavily reticulated and sparsely splashed mulberry purple. The form is campanulate to flat Abbeville in form, an exception in this line of breeding. Excellent in flower arrangements and corsages.

Price per rhizome\$5.00

ACADIAN (Caroginia x Peggy Mac) Reg. 1956 H. C. 1959

18" to 24" in height. The luminous velvety-rich Burgundy-red of this flower has been acclaimed as its outstanding virtue. By contrast to the vivid sepal the petal is basically a mauve heavily veined and splashed the same Burgundy. The signal patch consists of a short linear signal of old gold that is almost inconspicuous.

Price per rhizome\$2.00

CAPTAIN BILL (Roses & Wine x Peggy Mac) Reg. 1956.

30" to 36" in height. Bright Claret red that flames in the sun with an almost white petal. Tall, Stately, commanding in posture. Fine bladelike foliage.

Price per rhizome\$2.00



Joyce's Choice

SEEDLINGS OF MR. G. W. HOLLEYMAN

ROYAL LADY (Her Highness x Wheelhorse) H.C. 1958

A large 7" full pale purple flowered iris with overlapping sepals and petals that are slightly recurving with frilled edges. The falls are decorated with bright yellow crests. Grows 3½ - 4' tall, blooms about mid-season. Received Captain R. S. Abbott Jr., award 1959 and the Lafayette Civic Club Award 1958.

Price per rhizome\$10.00

PEGALETTA (Peggy Mac x Holletta)

This is a lovely 6" rather intermediate between flat and flaring, a little more flat than flaring. Large clearly defined deep yellow signal patches are found on each fall. Style arms are broad and blend in well with the color of sepals and petals. Flowers are born on strong 3' stems from midseason to early.

Price per rhizome\$5.00

LATE COMER (Violet Ray x Wheelhorse x Storm Signal)

This is a midseason to late bloomer. It is redish purple with a rather velvety appearance. Flowers are about 5" in diameter and rather flaring. Signals are very large, deep yellow orange that extend well beyond the tips of the style arms.

Price per rhizome\$5.00

Our New Seedlings

JOYCE'S CHOICE (Louise Army x King's Gold) H.C. 1959

The most distinguishing feature of this iris is its trumpet shaped flowers which are born on strong 3' stems at five or six bud positions. The large deep yellow almost church steeple shaped crest is very conspicuous and blends nicely with the orange-yellow color of the sepals and petals which overlap to form a very compact 6" trumpet shaped flower. This iris is a mid to late season floriferous bloomer. Its my gal's choice. H.C. 1959.

Price per rhizome\$15.00

MORNING TREAT (Louise Army x Locketts Luck)

This iris has a beautiful color falling between a shade of peach and that of salmon. Distinct orange-yellow line crests are surrounded by a deep prominent maroon colored margins. The maroon color tending to extend out the veining of the falls. The styles are board and tough with a pinkish cast that blend well with the flower color. The flower is rather flaring with the falls tending to recurve a bit. The 6" flowers posses a great deal of substance, are born on 2½' strong stems, and begin opening about midseason. One of the most beautiful color combinations we have helped developed.

Price per rhizome\$15.00

DUKE OF ORLEANS (Butter Brickel x Holleyblu x Buttercup)

Here is a 6" velvety rich red beetroot purple iris flower which has large and distinct deep yellow-orange crests on each sepal. The petals of the flowers are held at about a 45 degree angle while the sepals tend to curve downward at about the same degree. Style arms are narrow and reddish in color. These rich colored flowers are born on strong 4' stems at four and five bud positions. The color fastness and its richness make this iris very appealing.

Price per rhizome\$5.00

PREVIOUS INTRODUCTIONS AND VARIETIES OF OTHER BREEDERS AND COLLECTORS

Red to Terracotta

CHUCK (Butter Brickel x Signal) Army, Reg. 1958, H.M. 1958

Very dark brilliant red velvety-textured iris with five inch rather flaring flower. Flowers are borne on a strong 30 inch stem and on lateral branches. Blooms Midseason to late. First place in color Class—Society for Louisiana Iris show 1955.

Price per rhizome\$2.00

PLUM GOOD (Nelson, 1945)

Plum red with a large golden signal patch. A brilliant Iris. Height 30". Iris of the year 1946. La. Iris Show.

Price per rhizome\$3.00

CHERRY BOUNCE—(Nelson, 1946)

H.M., A.I.S., 1950; M.S. D 1951, A flaring wild cherry red self with metallic luster. Magnificent in the bright sunlight. Height 34".

Price per rhizome50

ROYAL GEM—(Smith, S., 1947)

H.M., A.I.S., 1951; A.S.I. Press Cup Award 1951, Large red velvet with yellow signal. Very floriferous. Height 32".

Price per rhizome50

WHEELHORSE (Dorman) MSD 1958

A sensation at 1958 Society for Louisiana Iris Show. Huge 6", rose colored, rather flat to flaring flower, excellent bud placement. Grows 3½" tall.

Price per rhizome\$4.00

White

HER HIGHNESS—(Levingston, H. C. 1957) MSD 1959

Large flaring white with broad frilly cream sepals.

Price per rhizome\$5.00

BARBARA ELAINE TAYLOR (Taylor, H.M. 1955)

In our opinion, still the best white. Show award '52. 6" Wonderful substance with ivory glow at opening

Price per rhizome\$1.00

Blue

PUTTYTAT (Army 1958 Dora Dey x Dora Dey) H.M., 1958

This iris is a rather rich Monet Blue with almost white style arms. Flowers are about 5" across, flat form with good substance. This iris grows 28" tall, has good placement of its five bud positions. Both lateral branches and two flowers per bud position have been noted. Mid-season. First place in class, Society for Louisiana Iris show 1957 and 1958.

Price per rhizome\$1.00

STORM SIGNAL (Holleyman)

Large, deep blue of I. giganteaerulea form. Light, golden line extending nearly half the length of the falls. H.M. 1958.

Price per rhizome\$1.00

BLUE CHIP—(Smith, S., '50). H.M. '51., MSD 1957.

The 6-inch flowers of hyacinth-blue have the form of Peggy Mac, long acknowledged the most perfect form of Abbeville type. The 36-inch stalk with lateral branch nig dasplays the blooms to perfection.

Price per rhizome\$3.00

HOLLEY BLUE (G Holleyman 1958)

A splendid rich blue with prominent patch. Flaring form, wide petals, exceptional substance. Judged best Iris in 1952 Baton Rouge Iris Show. Mid season 36" tall.

Price per rhizome\$3.00

RUTH HOLLEYMAN (G. Holleyman 1952) H.M. 1955

One of the most outstanding Iris it has been our pleasure to see. A giant among giants. Medium blue, flaring form, wonderful substance. The first and only known "Triploid" 60" to 70" tall. Midseason.

Price per rhizome\$5.00

NEW OFFERING (Davis) H.M. 1959

Large, full, flat flower of dark blue violet, heavily veined prunella violet. Vigorous and rust resistant. Under the number 55-2 it placed first in the blue class in 1957 at state show of Society for Louisiana Irises. H.M. 1959.

Price per rhizome\$5.00

BEAU GESTE (Davis)

Heavily veined violet blue of great vigor and resistance to rust. (I. giganteaerulea & Haile Selassie).

Price per rhizome\$1.50



Violet Ray

Purple

VIOLET RAY (Dormon, C., '50) MSD '53, HM '51

Each year this iris wins more admirers. It's really amazing to see such a huge flower that is so sturdy and at the same time graceful, not to mention the beauty of the color pattern-pansy purple with cream rays, edged with cream. The sepal is wide, the petals twist, the general form campanulate. The flower is carried on a stalk in proportion to size bloom. Our favorite from Miss Dormon.

Price per rhizome\$3.00

THE KHAN (Dormon, C., '50) MSD 1955

Miss Dormon's excellent warhorse in darkest red-violet with a "big eye" of gold as a signal patch, substance heavy texture of velvet, excellent flower placement, vigorous, 7" flowers, 30"-36", midseason.

Price per rhizome\$1.00

LSU PURPLE (L.S.U. 1959)

Rich purple 6" flowers, 42" tall falls clearly marked with chrome yellow crests.

Price per rhizome\$2.00

ROYAL VELOUR (Conger, Reg. '53) (Roses and Wine Peggy Mac) H.M. 56

The deep richness of Romanesque Violet coupled with a velvety pile and high sheen makes the name of this five inch flower appropriate. There is a deeper veining, too throughout the flower. No perceptible signal patch mars the deep richness of the coloring. 30", mid-season. Lafayette Civic Club Award, '53. H.M. '56.

Price per rhizome\$2.00

Yellow to Buff

KRAMER'S YELLOW—(Kramer, 1943)

Flaring sulphur yellow with green style arms. Collected natural hybrid.

Price per rhizome\$1.00

WARM LIGHT—(MacMillan)

Bright lemon yellow, rather flaring form, medium size flowers, 3' tall.

Price per rhizome\$1.00

DIXIE DEB (Chowning, '50) H.M. 1956.

Outstanding garden variety of sulphur yellow, graceful twisted form, most floriferous, blooms much longer than competing varieties, flower arrangers delight, excellent branching — in other words we like it! 5" flowers, 36" - 48".

Price per rhizome\$1.00

BUTTER BRICKEL (Peg Mac x ?) Arny Reg.

Large flat ruffled butter scotch colored flower 5", 24" high, late season. Lots of substance and does not fade. Usually five bud positions with two or more flowers opening at the same time.

Price per rhizome\$2.00



W. B. McMillan

Pink — Magenta

W. B. MACMILLIAN (Conger 1957, Bayou Glory x Acadian) H.M. 1959.

Flower span 6", Petals 3" long, 1½" wide overlapping in center of flower under style arms; Color Mauve rose pink; Sepals 3½" long 2½" wide informally imbricated, mauve, rose around signal patch darkening toward edge to magenta red; stalk is 30" to 40" high with one or two lateral branches bearing 7 to 9 flowers. The flat form of overlapping floral arrangement with bright signal, contracting style arms and claw, and the ruffled edges of the sepals are exceptional. Midseason bloomer.

Price per rhizome\$10.00

JOYCE (Arny 58, Breeding record lost) H.M. 1959

This iris grows 2 ft. tall, produces a bi-tone rose blue flower at four bud positions. Flowers are 4½" across, flat and slightly fluted with as much substance as I have seen in any iris. This is a very striking iris with its bi-tone color and yellow green line signal. Midseason to late.

Price per rhizome\$5.00



Sarah Gladney

L.S.U. BEAUTY (L.S.U.) 1959) H.C. 1959

A fine 6" flat to drooping ruffled pink iris growing 3' tall. Best unregistered iris in 1956 show of the Society for Louisiana Irises.

Price per rhizome\$3.00

KISSIE Army Reg. 1957, (Peggy Mac x Bayou Sunset) H.M. 1958

Large 6" flat to slightly cupped Lelia Pink flowers with no crest or signal. Flowers have excellent substance and color fastness. This iris grows 3 ft. tall and flowers are born at five bud positions. Midseason to late.

Price per rhizome\$3.00

ELLA B. DAVIS (Conger, Reg. '53) #49-55-2 (Roses and Wine x Peggy Mac).

From the same breeding as Sara Gladney and Royal Velour comes this clone, a bright pink of campanulate form, overlapping segments — a smaller sized Sara Gladney in form. The 5 inch flowers of light Meadow Pink are splashed Dahlia Purple. A Favorite in the garden this season. 30", midseason

Price per rhizome\$2.00

JOY ROBERTS (Roberts-Richard-Kelly)

Known as "Robert's Pink Foliosa" this variety is a typical foliosa in every respect except its soft pinker-than-French-Lilac color . . . The signal patch is surrounded by an Oyster White zone that adds much to its charm . . . A most beautiful iris for arrangements and corsages. 4½", 18"-24", late.

Price per rhizome\$2.00

SARA GLADNEY (Conger, '53) H. M. '53) Abbott Memorial Award '53

Perfection of frilled, flaring, campanulate form coupled with size and overlapping floral segments, medium rose-magenta-violet (Coronation, M&P), one of our proudest.

Price per rhizome\$2.00

BAYOU GLORY (Conger, '53) H. C. '52, H.M. '53

Sepals of Rose Petal; petals of Meadow Pink; large bright signal patch of Golden Rod; overlapping campanulate form; wide floral segments; excellent lateral branching 30" stalks; midseason.

Price per rhizome\$2.00

BAYOU SUNSET (MacMillian, 1943)

S.L.I. Show Reward 1944, M.S.D. 1949, H.M. 1950. Popularity award, 1952. 8" soft rose flower with radiating golden signal. Large floral parts height 2'. One of the best Louisiana Iris.

Price per rhizome\$1.00

PEGGY MAC (Mac Millan, 1943)

6" Magenta rose, flat overlapping form. Height 30"

Price per rhizome\$1.00

Lavender — Pink

MISTIS (MacMillan 1957) H.M. 1958

A huge pink to lavender bloom, beautiful carriage on strong 36" bloom stalks. Early bloomer. Winner of Captain Stuart Abbott Award 1958.

Price per rhizome\$5.00

LOUISE ARMY—Chance seedling, 1952 H.M. 1957

Pastel blue to lavender shading to light yellow with age, with orange-yellow dagger crest. The flower is a 5" flatcupped and ruffled, in form, with great substance. Flowers borne at 4 positions, frequently 2 buds at each position. Height 36", mid season to late. Third place in blue class at Society for Louisiana Iris Show, 1954: First place in blue class at State Show of Federated Gardens Clubs of Louisiana, and second Best flower of State Show.

Price per rhizome\$1.00



Kissie



Joyce



Duke of Orleans

DORA DEY (Army Reg. 1957 Bayou Sunset x blue *giganticaerulea*) seedling from S.L.I. Test Garden, 1952 H.C. 1957

A very striking bitone, flaring light purple to lavender. Five to five and one half inch flower, 4-5 bud positions with 2 buds at all positions and branching. Large yellow signal, tending to be radial. Three to four flowers opening at the same time. Very beautiful and good grower. Height 36" mid season to late.

Price per rhizome\$1.00

CAROGINA (Conger, Reg. 1958) H.M. 1950

A decided bitone that has 6-inch flowers of campanulate form displayed on a 30-inch stalk. The almost orbicular sepals are deep cream heavily veined and splashed on the edge dahlia carmine. The petals are cameo pink. Mid-season.

Price per rhizome50

COLLECTIONS

1. Beginners Collection — one each of red, white, rose to pink, yellow to buff, purple and blue colored irises. Not labeled as to variety or color, a mixture of good seedlings and or named varieties.....\$2.00
2. Beginners Named Varieties Labeled Collection — same as collection No. 1 except all iris are named varieties and will be labeled.....\$4.00
3. Pastel Pals Collection 6 labeled varieties of our selection, from the following varieties: Kissie, Louise Army, Dora Dey, Warm Light, Blue Chip, Easter Surprise, L.S.U. Tan, Butter Brickel, Dixie Deb.....\$6.00
4. Mardi Gras Collection — 6 labeled deep colored varieties: Chuck, The Kahn, Violet Ray, Sarah Gladney, Cherry Bounce, Royal Gem, Plum Good, L.S.U. Purple, Bayou Glory, Peggy Mac, Puttytat, Storm Signal\$8.00
5. Half and Half Collection — 8 labeled varieties, 4 varieties of deep colors from varieties listed in collection No. 4 and 4 varieties from varieties listed in pastel collection\$10.00
6. Dabailon Award Winners—Collection of 8 named and labeled varieties having won the Mary Swords Debaillon Award in previous years. The varieties included in this collection will be; Bayou Sunset, Cherry Bounce, Royal Gem, Violet Ray, The Kahn, Blue Chip, Wheelhorse and Her Highness.....\$12.00
7. Our Prize Collection—12 labeled iris varieties all different, including the colors of red, pink, yellow, purple, white, and blue, selection of varieties left to us.\$15.00

We urge you to join the American Iris Society. Their 4 Bulletins a year will bring you good information on all kinds of iris culture. Dues \$5.00.

Consider this a special invitation to become a member of the Society for Louisiana Iris. Dues \$2.00.

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